

Please join us for the following anniversary events!

Sapelo Island Showcase

May - June

Brunswick-Glynn County Library

Exhibits featuring the research, stewardship, and education programs of the Sapelo Island NERR will be on display through early summer. Exhibits highlighting Sapelo Island's cultural heritage will also be on display courtesy of Sapelo Island Cultural and Revitalization Society (SICARS).

Sapelo Island and Its Reserve: Reflections of Coastal Georgia

May 2, 6 p.m. at Brunswick-Glynn County Library

June 29, 6 p.m. at Ida Hilton Public Library in Darien

SINERR Director and noted historian Buddy Sullivan will present a program on the history of the Reserve and Sapelo Island. Discussing Sapelo and its Reserve within the greater context of coastal Georgia history, Sullivan will share how the ongoing relationships between agriculture, land preservation and ecotourism have affected coastal Georgia over the past 300 years and how they continue to uniquely blend together to give us the coastal Georgia we know today.

Crabbing & Shrimping on the Georgia Coast

June 6, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Sapelo Island

Do you know your local crustaceans? The natural history as well as the importance of these species to the ecology and economy of the Georgia coast will be discussed. Program includes crabbing, cast netting, and seining activities. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children. Please call Sapelo Island Visitor Center for program details and reservations (912) 437-3224.

Coastal Ecology

July 18, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Sapelo Island

Get to know your aquatic neighbors! Discover the abundance and variety of wildlife found along our shores. Use seines, cast nets, and plankton nets to collect local aquatic species. Learn to identify coastal fishes and invertebrates and their unique adaptations. Participants should be prepared to get wet and bring the following: sunscreen, sturdy/comfortable shoes, hat, sunglasses, and water. Please call Sapelo Island Visitor Center for program details and reservations (912) 437-3224.

Georgia's Coast: Life, Labor, and Landscapes

July 19, 7 p.m.

Savannah History Museum

A one-hour lecture by Sapelo Island NERR Manager Buddy Sullivan, augmented by slides, will place the Sapelo Island National Estuarine Research Reserve and the Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary (which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year) within the context of the ecology, culture and maritime history of coastal Georgia.

Through Nature's Lens

August

The Ritz Theatre in Brunswick

See the Sapelo Island NERR from an artist's perspective. Artwork by members of McIntosh Art Association featuring scenes from Sapelo Island Reserve will be on display through late summer. Visitors are welcome Tuesday-Friday (9-5) and Saturday (10-2).

Scenes of Sapelo Island Concert

August 23, 6 p.m.

The Ritz Theatre in Brunswick

Celebrate the anniversary of Georgia's coastal reserve through photography and music. This photo and video "essay" on Sapelo Island's coastal environments will be accompanied by the music of Bob and Judy Williams performing on guitar and hammered dulcimer.

NOAA's Gray's Reef Ocean Film Festival

September 22-24

Trustees Theater in Savannah

Coordinated by Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, the Ocean Film Festival is an important opportunity to focus on one of our area's finest features, our ocean environment and the rich maritime heritage associated with it. Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, which celebrates its 25th anniversary in 2006, is part of the National Marine Sanctuary System, a nationwide network of protected areas that contains biological and geological treasures as well as much of the maritime cultural heritage of our nation. Giving residents up and down the coast twice the opportunity to be thrilled by films of sea monsters, shipwrecks, deep-diving daredevils and marine life, a special one-day film festival is also scheduled in Brunswick on September 30th. This year's films include a National Geographic feature, special animations from the Savannah College of Art and Design, and several regional and national premieres.

NOAA's Ocean Film Festival

September 30

9 -11:30 a.m.

Brunswick-Glynn County Library – *Under the Sea* – Children's film festival and ocean themed activities. Join us for a voyage into a vast underwater world!

1-5 p.m.

The Ritz Theatre - Coastlines Film Festival: A National Estuaries Day Celebration

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